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TREATING MICROBIAL INFECTIONS BY MODULATING TRANSCRIPTION FACTORS

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Dear Sir:

Applicants submit herewith a Request for Continued Examination and this Amendment. A request for the appropriate amount of time in which to respond is also being filed herewith. The amendments/remarks presented herein are responsive to the Final Office Action dated May 18, 2007. Please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.